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SUBJECT: TRADE OPPORTUNITY: GOM REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN
LOCATING SUPPLIER OF DRYLANDS PASTURE SEED

1. DIRECTOR MOROCCAN MINAG OFFICE IN CHARGE OF CATTLE RAISING
INDUSTRY (DIRECTION DE L'ELEVAGE) HAS APPROACHED EMBASSY FOR
ASSISTANCE IN FINDING PASTURE SEED SUPPLIER ABLE TO DELIVER 76
TONS DRYLANDS PASTURE SEED (AGROPYRUM INTERMEDIUM)
BY MID-OCTOBER.

2. ACCORDING TO DIRECTOR KETTANI, MOROCCO HAS HAD GOOD EXPERIENCE
WITH USAID PROJECTS TO IDENTIFY SEED VARIETIES ADAPTED TO
MOROCCAN CLIMATE. KETTANI SAYS 2,000 HECTARES CURRENTLY IN
IMPROVED PASTURE. FURTHER 2,000 HECTARES TO BE PLANTED THIS FALL.

3. IT ESTIMATED THAT 75 TONS SEED REQUIRED. DIRECTOR SEEKS
EARLIEST POSSIBLE PRICE QUOTATION PLUS ASSURANCE DELIVERY BY
MID-OCTOBER. HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LOCAL KING RANCH VENTURE
(RANCH ADAROUCH) BUT SUPPLIERS KNOWN TO ADAROUCH UNABLE TO MEET
SHIPPING DEADLINE.

4. APPRECIATE RECEIVING SOONEST NAMES OF POSSIBLE SUPPLIERS. ALSO
SUGGEST SUPPLIERS BE ADVISE TELEX DIRECTION DE L'ELEVAGE,
MINISTERE DE L'AGRICULTURE, PROVIDING PRICE AND DELIVERY TERMS.
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